

Introduced by Senator Fuller

February 17, 2011

An act to amend Section 2701 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to water companies.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 597, as introduced, Fuller. Water companies.

Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities. Existing law, with certain exceptions, provides that any person, firm, corporation, their lessees, trustees, receivers, or trustees appointed by any court whatsoever, owning, controlling, operating, or managing any water system within this State, who sells, leases, rents, or delivers water to any person, firm, corporation, municipality, or any other political subdivision of the State, whether under contract or otherwise, is a public utility, and is subject to the provisions of the Public Utilities Act and to the jurisdiction, control, and regulation of the commission.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the above-described provision making every person, firm, or corporation, their lessees, trustees, receivers, or trustees appointed by any court, owning, controlling, operating, or managing any water system within the state subject to the jurisdiction, control, and regulation of the commission.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 2701 of the Public Utilities Code is
2 amended to read:
3 2701. Any person, firm, or corporation, their lessees, trustees,
4 receivers, or trustees appointed by any court ~~whatsoever~~, owning,
5 ~~controlling~~, operating, ~~or~~ managing, *or otherwise controlling* any
6 water system within ~~this State~~ *the state*, ~~who~~ *that* sells, leases,
7 rents, or delivers water to any person, firm, corporation,
8 municipality, or any other political subdivision of the ~~State~~ *state*,
9 whether under contract or otherwise, is a public utility, and is
10 subject to the provisions of Part 1 (*commencing with Section 201*)
11 of Division 1 and to the jurisdiction, control, and regulation of the
12 commission, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.